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FORESEEN THAT THE FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES AND SOVIET UNION WOULD SHORTLY BE CONFRONTING EACH OTHER ON THE GROUND IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND IT WAS AGAINST THAT BACKGROUND THAT MR. NIXON HAD TAKEN HIS DECISIONS. THERE WAS NO PROFIT IN SPECULATING NOW WHETHER IT WAS THE ONLY DECISION WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN. THE CEASEFIRE HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED, THE UN FORCE CONSTITUTED AND THE ADVANCE PARTY FLOWN IN, MANY BY THE RAF. THE OUTCOME WAS THE RIGHT OUTCOME AND ONE WHICH THE GOVERNMENT WELCOMED. THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IN GENERAL (HE SAID) HAVE PLAYED AN IMPORTANT PART IN BRINGING IT ABOUT BUT IT WOULD BE WRONG TO IGNORE THE VITAL ROLE WHICH THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAS PLAYED AND THEIR CONTINUING INVOLVEMENT IS ESSENTIAL IF A JUST AND LASTING PEACE IS TO BE ACHIEVED.

5. HEATH ALSO SPOKE OF FIRM ASSURANCES FROM IMPORTANT OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRIES THAT THEY HAVE NO WISH WHATSOEVER TO DAMAGE UK AND WILL TAKE ALL STEPS WITHIN THEIR POWER TO PREVENT THAT HAPPENING. (MORE ON OIL ASPECT OF DEBATE BY SEPTTEL).

6. PRESS CONTINUES TO CARRY ARTICLES HIGHLIGHTING USG PIQUE AT LACK OF EUROPEAN NATO COOPERATION DURING CRISIS.

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